

REMARKS

Claims 27-31 had been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 1, 32 and 46 are amended herein. Claims 1-26 and 32-46 are pending in the application. Examination and consideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

In response to the election/restriction requirement, set forth in the Office Action mailed June 2, 2005, Applicant hereby provisionally elects, with traverse, Species I, which was identified by the Examiner as corresponding to pages 3 and 4 of the specification. In a telephone conference held with the Examiner (Mr. Pham) on June 17, 2005, the Examiner clarified to the undersigned that Species I corresponds to paragraphs 0012 to 0016 of the patent specification, while Species II corresponds to paragraph 0017 of the patent specification. Applicant believes that claims 1-26 are generic to the Species I and II, as identified by the Examiner

Claim 32 is amended herein to be dependent upon claim 1. Accordingly, claims 32-46 are dependent (directly or indirectly) on a claim within the elected species. Upon allowance of claim 1, it is requested that claims 32-46 be included within the allowed claims as being dependent upon an allowed parent claim.

Minor amendments are made to claims 1 and 46 for further breadth and to correct an obvious typographical error.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

If, for any reason, the Examiner believes that the application is not in condition for allowance, Applicant requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California, telephone number (310) 975-7963, to discuss any steps believed to be needed to place the application in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check

being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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